

REMARKS

Claims 1-15 are pending. Claims 1-3, 5-11, and 13-15 stand rejected. Claims 3, 4, and 12 have been canceled without prejudice or a disclaimer. Claims 1 and 8 are independent claims.


Applicant wishes to thank the Examiner for indicating that any one of the claims 4, 5, and 12 would be allowed if each claim is rewritten as an independent claim incorporating all features of the base and any intervening claims. In response, the Applicant has incorporated claims 4 and 12 into respective base claims 1 and 8.

The Applicant respectfully submits that claims 1 and 8, as amended, are allowable. As such, the Applicant respectfully requests passage of claims 1 and 8, and respective dependent claims.

Should the Examiner deem that there are any issues which may be best resolved by telephone, please contact Applicant's undersigned representative at the number listed below.

Respectfully submitted,
Steve Cha

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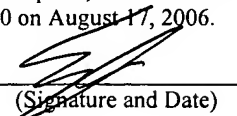

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